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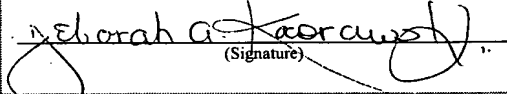
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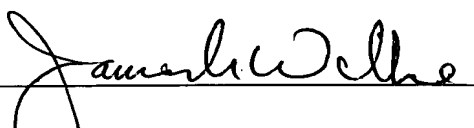
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- ☒ [ X ] Form PTO/SB/08 (1 page) listing six (6) references, enclosing four (4).

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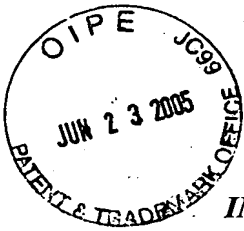
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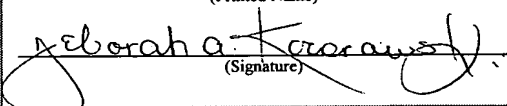


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Submitted herewith on Form PTO/SB/08 is a listing of documents known to Applicants in order to comply with Applicants' duty of disclosure pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.56.

A copy of each non-U.S. patent document and each non-patent document is being submitted to comply with the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.97 and § 1.98.

The submission of any document herewith, which is not a statutory bar, is not intended as an admission that such document constitutes prior art against the claims of the present application or that such document is considered material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56(b). Applicants do not waive any rights to take any action which would be appropriate to antedate or otherwise remove as a competent reference any document which is determined to be a *prima facie* art reference against the claims of the present application.

### **TIMING OF THE DISCLOSURE**

The listed documents are being submitted in compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b), within three (3) months of the date of entry of the National Stage as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.491.

### **RELEVANCE OF EACH DOCUMENT**

The relevance of the foreign-language documents is described in the present specification. An English-language counterpart of the foreign-language documents have been provided where available. However, the absence of a translation or an English-language counterpart document does not relieve the PTO from its duty to consider any submitted document (37 C.F.R. § 1.98 and M.P.E.P. § 609).

The non-English language patent applications DE are listed on the accompanying Form PTO/SB/08.

The abstract of DE 100 42 495 A1 discloses:

The arrangement is mounted in a vehicle part such as a center console or seat back and has a covering arrangement (2) for the image observation arrangement (1) that is coupled to it by a coupling arrangement (13,14',14";13,15',15") so that the observation arrangement can be moved between first and second positions (A,B) by moving the covering arrangement. Independent claims are also included for the following: a vehicle part such as a center console with an arrangement for positioning an image observation arrangement.

The abstract of DE 198 00 538 A1 discloses:

The communications system has each passenger able to view a screen as well as having access to the different communications options. The system is fitted into a module (4) which is mounted beside a seat, with the screen viewed from the seat behind. No alterations are required to the seat design. The screen is on an adjustable support to suit the viewing position of the user. A double module can be fitted between two seats while single row seats have single modules. The modules can include a telephone, headphones, CD player etc.

The abstract of DE 197 08 764 A1 discloses:

The system has several terminals (4), each with a visual display screen and an input device connected to a central computer (40). Each terminal is associated with a vehicle seat (1). At least one terminal's screen is integrated into the back rest (2) of a seat in front of the seat associated with the terminal. The input device has a touch screen sensing arrangement (10) on the screen. The screen is a flat screen, esp. a LCD, TFT or plasma screen.

Applicants respectfully request that each listed document be considered by the Examiner and be made of record in the present application and that an initialed copy of Form PTO/SB/08 be returned in accordance with M.P.E.P. § 609.

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## NON PATENT LITERATURE DOCUMENTS

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